

Sunny Start Evaluation Committee Meeting Summary

Meeting Date: Tuesday, August 29th, 2006 1:00 – 3:00

Location: Indiana State Dept. of Health Conference Room 8C

Committee Chair: Tony Lawson

List of Participants: Tony Lawson, Dr. Eric Wright, Michael Conn-Powers (via telephone), Ted

Maple, Judith Ganser, M.D., Maureen Greer, Toni Harpster

Summary of meeting:

The meeting began with introductions. Tony asked if there were any questions or comments on the Early Childhood Comprehensive System Data Matrix which was sent to the group prior to meeting. As there were no comments, Tony passed out the first Evaluation Report.

The group proceeded to review the document, comments are as follows:

No modifications on ECCS history

Objective 1

- At this point, Indiana WINS only includes Indiana State Dept. of Health applications. Implementation is expected in January, 2007.
 NOTE: Date has been delayed due to Utah Clicks software upgrade.
- Reference made to recent First Steps Data Sheet Toni Harpster to see if it is on the First Steps Website.
- Page 9 change wording to "through the age of five"
- S Chip information to be kept separate from traditional Medicaid

Objective 2

No comments

Objective 3

- Bureau of Child Development no longer in existence; now referred to as Bureau of Child Care.
- Tony will use Sunny Start Social and Emotional Training Matrix as a data source – Toni Harpster to send to the Center for Health Policy

Objective 4

- Michael Conn-Powers will investigate whether information can be pulled by Health, Education, categories.
- Short web user survey will be added to the Early Childhood Meeting Place

Objective 5

Evaluators should look at adding the number of accredited in-home child care centers.

Objectives 6 & 7

- It needs to be decided whether we want to measure whether families have access to the information or whether they use it.
- Quick parent survey may possibly be added regarding usefulness of information
- Toni Harpster to begin compiling a matrix of task forces, boards and committees convening for the purpose of child health and report on the number of parents participating in a leadership role.
- Michael Conn-Powers to find out if hits to the website can be tracked by county.
- Regarding Training and Technical Assistance discussion about training events and the number of participants led to the conclusion that the information gained would not be worth the effort.
- Members of the Family Advisory Committee should be asked how the success of developmental calendar should be measured.

Administrative Follow Up

Toni Harpster

- Check First Steps website for availability of recent Data Sheet 9/15/06
- Ask Janet Deahl about types of child care accreditations as well as information on rating scale project. – 9/15/06
- Discuss licensing study with Pat Cole (Book of Standards Caring for Our Children) 9/15/06
- Compile a matrix of task forces, boards and committees convening for the purpose of child health and report on the number of parents participating in a leadership role – to be completed in the last quarter of 2006